

The Chronicle

WEATHER FORECAST
Partly cloudy and hot through Wednesday with widely scattered afternoon thundershowers. Mostly northeast winds 5 to 15 mph, gusty near showers. High today 95, low tonight 75.

TIDE TABLE		
Mouth Pascagoula River		
	High	Low
Tuesday	11:21 a.m.	9:28 p.m.
Wednesday	12:10 p.m.	9:54 p.m.
Thursday	1:00 p.m.	10:05 p.m.
River State at Merrill 2.9, down 1.		

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Huge Voter Turnout Reported For State

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Meredith Says His Candidate Is 'Blowtorch'

OXFORD, Miss. (UPI)—James H. Meredith summed up his opinion of the gubernatorial candidates Monday with the comment: "None of them is any good."

The first Negro student at the University of Mississippi, who has become a central figure in the governor's race, said "the campaign is indicative of the sad conditions of political processes in this state. It is aimed at completely taking the minds of the people off the serious situations facing the state."

Meredith said the candidates are using him to personify "the same old nigger theme."

Meredith, in an interview with United Press International, denied appearing at a campaign rally for former Gov. J. P. Coleman, as Lt. Gov. Paul Johnson has claimed. "I drove near the rally but did not stop my car," he said.

Meredith said he steered clear of all rallies because of the impact his attendance might have had. But, he said, he would have been interested in hearing the candidates.

The political science major said "I decided to just let them fight it out because none of them is any good."

Johnson, who personally refused him admission to Ole Miss last fall, has made the most mention of Meredith. A Johnson campaign picture depicts the lieutenant governor, with one fist doubled, confronting Meredith on the campus.

Meredith said he thought it was a "nice looking picture" but said he could not remember Johnson as displaying a fist.

Meredith laughingly said, "I endorse Blowtorch," when asked if he had a favorite candidate. He was referring to Robert (Blowtorch) Mason, a retired welder who says he is running for the fun of it.

Pas Swim Team To Give Ballet At ARC Rites

Members of the Pascagoula swimming team will present a water ballet 4 p.m. Sunday at La Font Inn as part of the local celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Red Cross.

The water ballet will commemorate the founding of Red Cross in 1963 by the Swiss national, Henri Dunant.

Mrs. Sena O. McMillen, executive secretary of the Jackson County chapter, said the centenary observance will be carried out on international, national and local levels.

On the international level the climax of the celebration will be Aug. 15 through September 15 in Geneva, Switzerland.

Pas Relatives Of Mrs. Lomax Go To Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. James Lomax Jr., 1547 Wilson Dr., Pascagoula, have gone to Salisbury, N. C., because of the death of Mrs. James Lomax.

Funeral services will be held in Salisbury on Thursday.

Latest Stocks

Supplied by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc.	
Volume	2,640,000
Dow Jones	
Industrials	705.98 up 3.43
Rails	168.94 up .67
Utilities	140.81 up .50
Stocks	253.90 up 1.12
Am. Tel. & Tel.	121 1/2
Continental Can	45 1/2
DuPont	243 1/2
IBM	440
International Paper	29 1/2
Litton Industries	72 1/2
RCA	69 1/2
Ronson	28 1/2
Safeway	60 1/2
Southern Company	55 1/2
Standard Oil of Cal.	67 1/2
Thiokol	20 1/2

Voting Watched In Delta Today By CR Officials

GREENWOOD, Miss. (UPI)—Two men who identified themselves as "observers" for the civil rights division of the Justice Department watched proceedings at several voting precincts this morning.

About 550 Negroes are registered to vote in Leflore County and a reporter said only about 10 were seen voting by 10 a.m.

Voting turnout in Paspoinst this morning indicated that the Democratic primary may attract a record number of voters in Jackson County.

A check of 11 precincts in Paspoinst at 11 a.m. revealed that about one-fourth of the qualified voters had cast their ballots.

Voting was heavy just after the polls opened at 7 a.m. It had slackened off by 10 but was expected to pick up again during the noon hour and after 4 p.m. when workers started getting off for the day.

Circuit Clerk Vertis Ramsay said that it probably will be sometime after 8 a.m. Wednesday before all precincts are reported to his office.

A survey by the Chronicle revealed that 1123 of 4325 voters at 11 Paspoinst voting places had voted by 11 a.m.

The survey was started at 10 a.m.

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Polls Close At 6 Today

JACKSON (UPI)—Mississippians went to the polls in a massive turnout today to choose one of four segregationists to succeed Gov. Ross Barnett, prohibited by law from serving consecutive terms.

Long lines were waiting at many polling places when the voting began and some election officials called the turnout "fantastic."

Skies were partly cloudy and the temperature climbed to the middle 90s in most of the state.

Voting in Jackson, Hattiesburg, Greenville, Columbus, Meridian and Pascagoula was reported heavy.

At Greenville, in the Delta farm country, Circuit Clerk C. E. Cocke said, "It is without question the heaviest turnout ever."

Each of the candidates, three attorneys and a retired welder, has promised to carry on the

fight against federal integration policies.

The gubernatorial race and contests for other offices from the state to the local level were expected to draw about 450,000 voters to the polls.

Polls were to close at 6 p.m. (CST) but results of the closer races may not be known for a day or two. Only one of Mississippi's 82 counties has voting machines and the counting - by hand is always a slow process.

Predicts Last Place

About the only prediction on which everyone agrees is that ex-welder Robert Mason will run last in the governor's race.

But, a close race among former Gov. J. P. Coleman, 49, Lt. Gov. Paul B. Johnson, 47, and Charles L. Sullivan, 38, is expected to deny any candidate a majority of votes and pit the two leaders in an Aug. 27 runoff.

Democratic nomination has been tantamount to election in Mississippi since Civil War reconstruction but this year's winner will face a November general election fight with Republican Rubel Phillips.

Johnson has closely identified himself with the defiant pro-segregation stand of Barnett, who is prohibited by law from succeeding himself.

Cites Meredith Example

The lieutenant governor cites his blocking of Negro James Meredith from the University of Mississippi campus last autumn as an example of his determination to preserve segregation. Johnson faces a contempt charge in federal court for his action, but he says the state must fight harder next time it is threatened with integration.

Both Sullivan and Coleman cite the University of Mississippi crisis as the wrong way to oppose integration.

Coleman, onetime friend of President Kennedy, promised he would fight for segregation though "statesmanship rather than demagoguery" in an atmosphere of peace and tranquility.

Sullivan, a former district attorney, based his campaign on conservatism not limited to racial matters.

He and Johnson have attacked Coleman as a "Kennedy man." The former governor supported Democratic ticket in 1960 while an unpicked electors' slate carried Mississippi.

But Monday night, in closing his primary campaign with a television address, Coleman said he is "as opposed to Kennedy and the Kennedy policies as any other Mississippian."

A runoff is also expected to be necessary in the lieutenant governor's race, a five-way affair involving Carroll Gartin, State Treasurer Evelyn Gandy, former Natchez Mayor Troy Watkins, the Rev. Dorsey McCay and David Perkins. Gartin, who was Coleman's lieutenant governor, lost a bitter gubernatorial race to Barnett in 1959.

One of the summer's hottest races has been between Atty. Gen. Joe T. Patterson and the man who is trying to unseat him, State Sen. John McLaurin.

McLaurin accuses Patterson of a lack of aggressiveness in fighting integration. Patterson accuses McLaurin of attempting to win office by arousing emotions on the race issue.

Purely Exploratory

The sources emphasized, however, that the Moscow meetings were purely exploratory. If they show there is a real possibility for further East-West agreements, the sources said, they may be followed by a summit meeting between President Kennedy, Khrushchev and British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan.

Informed diplomatic circles here have speculated that such a meeting might take place during the United Nations General Assembly meeting in New York this fall.

Conference sources said Rusk expressed certain reservations concerning Gromyko's insistence that inspectors in East and West Germany take precedence in a possible surprise attack plan.

Western observers pointed out that such a plan might imply recognition of the East German Communist regime. The United States, Britain, France and West Germany repeatedly have stated their flat opposition to any moves which might imply such diplomatic recognition.

The Senate leader said the foreign relations committee tentatively planned to begin hearings on the treaty next Monday with State Department witnesses. He said the tentative schedule called for testimony from the Joint Chiefs of Staff Tuesday and from the Atomic Energy Commission the next day.

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